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SUBJECT: MEDIA SITREP

1. IN ADDITION TO SELF-CENSORSHIP, IN-HOUSE CENSORS (CASE OF TV) AND PRESENTATIONS OF GALLEY PROOFS TO SANTIAGO CENSORS (CASE OF PRESS) WE RELIABLY INFORMED MEDIA NOW BEING DIRECTED TO LAUNCH SIX-DAY CAMPAIGN AGAINST USSR. JUNTA SLOGANS BEING USED BY ALL STATIONS AND BEGINNING BE SIMILARITY OF WORDING CERTAIN ITEMS CARRIED BY ALL MEDIA. MOST AM AND FM SANTIAGO STATIONS NOW BACK ON AIR, OFTEN WITH NEW MANAGEMENT.

2. VALPARAISO CHANNEL 4 NOW AUGMENTED BY SANTIAGO'S UNIV. CHILE CHANNEL 6 WITH USE OF RELAY STATION IN PORT CITY. UNIV. OF CHILE BROADCASTING ON FREQUENCIES CHANNEL 6 AND 9, BUT WITH POOR SIGNALS ON BOTH DUE IN LATTER CASE TO DISAPPEARANCE MUCH EQUIPMENT AT HANDS FORMER ULTRA-LEFTIST OCCUPIERS STATION.

3. "LA SEGUNDA" (SAT. SEPT. 22) REPORTED DETENTION 10 MARXIST JOURNALISTS INCLUDING OSCAR WAISS (FORMER EDITOR GOC "LA NACION") AND MANUEL CABIESES (FORMER EDITOR MIR WEEKLY MAGAZINE "PUNTO FINAL").

4. IN MON. SEPT. 24 INTERVIEW IN PDC "LA PRENSA" CARLOS SEPULVEDA
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PRES. (CHILEAN) JOURNALISTS'S ASSOCIATION STATED FORMER "LA

NACION" DUE TO RESUME PUBLICATION OCT. AS "LA PATRIA" AS "ORGAN
OF THE NATIONAL JOURNALISTS' GUILD." WITH REGARD TO FREEDOM OF PRESS
SEPULVEDA SAID: "AS SITUATION NORMALIZES (PRESENT) RESTRICTIONS WILL
BE LIFTED. NEW AUTHORITIES HAVE ASSURED US THAT FREEDOM OF PRESS
WILL BE RESTORED". SEPULVEDA ALSO STATED A COMMISSION OF GUILD
WAS GRANTED PERMISSION TO VISIT DETAINED JOURNALISTS. (CHILEAN NEWS-
MEN HAVE SHOWN US LIST WITH 21 NAMES OF DETAINEES).
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